

MATRIMONIAL MATTERS.

—Mr. Charles Luther Raines and Miss Mattie Mitchell Clark were married in Danville.

—There is a woman in the Bourbon county poorhouse who has been married seven times and has changed her religion five times.

—When Clarence Foster, a New York bigamist, appeared in court and was confronted by five wives, he at once entered a plea of guilty.

—Mrs. Stewart, who was married three times to the same man, ended her earthly troubles by suicide at Baltimore. She was from Kentucky.

—An Indiana man in his application for divorce accuses his wife of taking money away from him and "settling 'em up" to the love in the balloons.

—Invitations to the marriage of Miss Margaret, daughter of Hon. John S. Owens, Sr., to Mr. John S. Wells have been issued. It will occur at Walnut Flat church at 7 p. m. Thursday, Dec. 31.

—Miss Lucy McKinney and Mr. J. W. Stamps were married in Christian county. Generally speaking it is lucky to get Stamps but as we are not advised as to the denomination of this one, we can't most always sometimes tell.

—The marriage of the oldest couple that ever walked to Hymen's altar in Kentucky is to take place at Whitesburg during the Christmas. The groom is William Sexton, aged 98, and the bride-elect, Rachel Craft, three years his senior.

—Mrs. Charlotte Augusta Drayton, the eldest daughter of Mrs. William Astor, who some time ago obtained a divorce from her husband, J. Coleman Drayton, was married to George Hagg, a whisky merchant, at London, England.

—H. Lamar Monarch, of Owensboro, and Miss Kate McKenzie, daughter of Hon. James A. McKenzie, were married Thursday at the home of Col. H. P. Potter, in Bowling Green, the Rev. Ray Bishop McCloskey, of Louisville, officiating.

—The Argentine Republic has passed a compulsory marriage law. Persons of either sex who refuse a "reasonable offer of marriage" are fined \$500, and bachelors between the ages of 20 and 30 are required to pay a monthly tax for the privilege of remaining single.

—Last Tuesday we noted the marriage the day before of Kirby Trimble, of Bourbon, to Miss Mattie Slipp, of Winchester. The bride was in the last stages of consumption, and the pair left at once for Danville, Fla., with the hopes of prolonging her life. The hope was vain, however, for she died at Jacksonville, before reaching her destination.

—The Louisville Critic propounds this pertinent question: Why is it that when people decide to get married, they don't want a thing said about it in the papers until every body in town knows it? There must be some idea in the minds of these silly prospective grooms and brides that such a tremendous sensation as a society engagement ought not to be fired off until there are plenty of blue and red lights to illuminate the occasion.

—The engagement of Mr. J. I. Frohman, of Danville, and Miss Cora Engel, of Chicago, has been announced. The marriage will take place at the residence of Miss Engel, the 12th of January, and the couple will be at home with Mr. and Mrs. Peter Gilcher on their return from the East, about the 20th of January. Mr. Frohman's Danville friends can well congratulate him upon having won so fair, as well as so gifted, a young woman for his bride. —Danville Advocate. Here's to you old fellow, your prospective bride and The Gleaner and may love and liberal advertising make both your heart and your purse sing for joy.

—The court of appeals has affirmed the decision refusing to grant a divorce to Mr. F. W. Malcolm, of Middleboro. Mrs. Malcolm was granted a divorce in Colorado several years ago, and subsequently Malcolm filed suit in this State asking for a divorce, charging infidelity. The court upholds the validity of Mrs. Malcolm's divorce. The parties were married at Zanesville, O., Oct. 22, 1885, and are prominent and wealthy. She was Miss Katie Patwin. Malcolm seems to have married her for her money and when she failed to let him have it, he brought suit for divorce charging her with adultery, &c., but the court holds that there is nothing in the record or evidence to substantiate his charge. The case is of local interest because Judge J. W. Alcorn was leading counsel for the lady.

—A fellow in loose in Indiana who makes a business of slipping up babbling girls with fine suits of hair and with a sharp knife severing their braids from their heads. Those that he seizes command high prices at the hair stores.

—A young Alabama widow is creating a sensation, it is said, by heading all those upon whom she lays her hands. She evidently forgot to lay her hands upon her late husband. —Courier-Journal.

—The consular report on the Armenian massacres will send a shudder to the hearts of Christendom. It shows that the cruel Turks have made 50,000 helpless orphans.

LANCASTER, GARRARD COUNTY.

—Jim "Crow" Dillon is raising a company to go to Cuba and fight the Spaniards, but if war is not declared soon there will be nobody left to fight for.

—The marriage of Robert Long to Miss Mary Brown, which was announced for last Thursday, has been deferred until to-morrow on account of the death of Morris Long, a brother of the prospective groom.

—W. H. Mason is a full fledged candidate for clerk of the court of appeals and being well known all over the State and having been in the clerk's office from his boyhood, he will at least let his opponents know that he is in the race.

—C. W. Anderson, a prominent young farmer and trader of this county, was married Saturday night in Louisville to Miss Hallie, the beautiful and gifted daughter of Dr. H. C. Herring, one of Garrard's most prominent citizens. They had been lovers for several years. Miss Hallie had been to Texas visiting relatives and on her return Mr. Anderson met her in Louisville, where they were united in the holy bonds of wedlock and undying love found its long delayed consummation. Both parties are well connected and your correspondent tenders congratulations.

—Saturday evening about 7 o'clock our citizens were grieved to learn that Ben C. Dunn, age 36, had died suddenly at his home in this city. He had been on the streets and going home about that hour, told his wife that he did not feel well and approaching his bed, dropped upon it and died in a few moments. Funeral services were conducted by Eld. Geo. W. Gower at the Christian church Sunday afternoon and the remains were followed by many friends and relatives to Lancaster Cemetery. Deceased leaves a wife and four children. He was a moral man and above all, a Christian. His father is Mr. John Dunn, of Bryanville, and he was related to the most prominent families in the county.

—E. Grant Slaughter, an insurance man from Louisville, and Dr. Wm. I. Reiman came on Friday and asked permission of the widow of the late M. W. Johnson, to examine his remains for the purpose of holding a post mortem examination to ascertain the cause of his death as he died suddenly, and had \$100,000 insurance, including life and accident. The proceeding was unusual and, for a time, Mrs. Johnson objected, but her friends finally obtained her consent and the body was examined on Saturday in the presence of the local physicians and a number of people who had nothing in view but a desire to satisfy their curiosity. The brain, heart, liver, kidneys, stomach and spinal cord were removed and taken to Louisville for analysis. The result will not be known for some time, but the impression is that the immediate cause of death was heart disease, as indications pointed to the fact that he had a fatty heart and no blood was in it, showing a disordered condition of that organ. The theory that he took poison will not likely hold good, although it is claimed that he used morphine for some time previous to his death. A number of people were unjustly incensed at the proceeding, when it was a protection to which the companies were entitled, considering the amount of insurance, the financial condition of the insured and the circumstances surrounding the death. The impression prevails, however, that no fraud in the applications for insurance can be proved and that the \$90,000 life insurance will be collected, there being some question about the accident insurance, although deceased met with an accident about six weeks before his death. The case is an interesting one and the result of the analysis will be watched with considerable anxiety. It is said that he carried \$10,000 in The Mutual of New York, \$30,000 in the Michigan Mutual, \$50,000 in the New York Life and \$20,000 accident insurance.

—The toll gate raiders made another raid in Woodford county Friday night and destroyed four or five gates. One gate was destroyed for the second time, and the keeper was ordered to inform the turnpike president that it would be a personal matter between him and the raiders if the gate should be replaced.

—The Niagara Electric Company, that practically owns the Niagara Falls Power, has extended its operations to Chicago. It has obtained from the trustees the right to use the vast power of the present drainage canal, constructed by the city of Chicago.

—The story comes from Western Kansas that money is so scarce out there that the corpse of a suicide was recently fined \$25 for carrying concealed weapons and that amount of money taken from his pockets and turned over to the city.

—A great many judges do not agree with the decision of Judge Suttle, of Bowling Green, who holds that building associations can not collect 12 per cent interest under the constitution.

—An armless man was married in Chicago last week. He will never have to walk the floor at night with the baby.

—Mrs. Emma Hare swore in a magistrate's court at Philadelphia that she had 27 children.

SOMEWHAT LOCAL.

—F. Hall has been appointed postmaster at Linn, Casey county.

—Charles James, charged with killing Champ Malone, was acquitted at Richmond.

—Maddog is the name of a post-office in Leslie county and William D. Wooten has just been appointed postmaster.

—Bids for public buildings at Newport, Lebanon, Mayfield, Paris, Hopkinsville and Bowling Green will be favorably reported to the House.

—Grant Overstreet was stabbed to death by Harry Harris at Nicholasville in a quarrel resulting from Harris cursing Overstreet's child. Both are colored.

—Jesse Partin, the young mountaineer, sent to the Nicholasville workhouse for 35 days last week, has escaped, and a reward of \$10 is offered for his capture.

—Robert Mosely, who murdered Asa Olive, in Anderson county 17 years ago in cold blood and escaped, was acquitted at Lawrenceburg Friday.

—Mrs. Maria Thompson Davie, 80, sister of Capt. Phil B. Thompson, of Harrodsburg, died Saturday in a fit of coughing. She was a noted writer and for 50 years contributed to magazines and newspapers.

—If the toll introduced by Senator Blackburn passes, the family of Gen. W. J. Landrum will be \$5,345 the better off. It is for one-half of 1 per cent on the sale of tax paid stamps during the fiscal years 1871 to 1879.

—A gentleman from near Hanly was told by his wife to call at one of our millinery establishments last Saturday and get her a lot of the Fan O'Shanter style, but the old gentleman got the name somewhat mixed and asked for one of those "damn Sunshiners." —Jesse James Journal.

—At the Atkins murder trial at Barrenville Saturday, George Linville, aged 17, testified that he saw and heard Joseph Adams, Jesse Fields, Boone Frazier and Fulton French arrange the plot that resulted in the murder of Judge Combs. Linville did not testify at the previous trial.

—Duke Smith, aged about 38 years, died last week in Washington, D. C. The deceased was a son of Gen. Green Clay Smith, and a brother of Mrs. J. L. Whitehead, of Williamsburg.

—Report turns out to be untrue. Mr. Smith has been at the point of death, but is recovering.

CHURCH CHIMES.

—Rev. G. M. McQuinn, of California, has accepted a call to preach at the Church of Christ at Berea.

—The new house of worship of the Owen Baptist church will be dedicated next Sunday, Dec. 27.

—The meeting at the Christian church, Harrodsburg, being held by Elder W. S. Keene, had some 35 additions to last accounts.

—Father W. E. Gorey, for 13 years pastor of the Catholic church at Frankfort, died at the Good Samaritan Hospital, Cincinnati.

—There will be a union praise meeting at the Methodist church Christmas morning at 8 o'clock. All Christians are invited to attend and take part.

—The Rev. C. E. Powell, who resigned as pastor of the Broadway Christian church, is also president of the Christian Ministers' meeting. —Courier Journal.

—Rev. E. O. Guernsey is conducting a splendid meeting at Ranoke, Va., and writes the Journal that up to Sunday there had been over 50 additions. —Jesse James Journal.

—Rev. W. S. Grinstead will preach at Kingsville to-morrow night, 231, and receive a number of people into the church. He now has 108 who have joined the Methodist church at that place since Oct. 1.

—It has been decided to continue the meeting at the Harrodsburg Methodist church till New Year's. "Mercer county for God" has been adopted as the motto. The Democrats say that over 250 souls have been converted and 100 sanctified and the good effects will be felt for many days to come.

—Special revival services will begin at McKendree church to-morrow night. Revs. L. L. Pickett and M. S. Trafton will assist the pastor, Rev. W. S. Grinstead. Meeting will continue through the Christmas holidays. Bro. Grinstead asks us to say that there will be no holiness meeting at Bright's school house by John Waddle & Co.

—In his protest against the Rev. H. C. Morrison holding meetings in his jurisdiction, Presiding Elder E. A. Smith, of Dublin, Texas, says: "These holiness meetings, wherever held, have been a source of strife and contention and have injured not only our church but other churches. It is not a question of doctrine, but a question of law and order with us. Our bishops have spoken in strong terms against these meetings and our conferences have passed strong resolutions against them."

—The "Regulators" have warned about 30 tough characters to leave Logan county, and they are moving.

SOMERSET.

Pulaski's Capital Doing Himself Proud.

While the majority of Kentucky towns have been experiencing hard times, Somerset has been rapidly forging to the front and there is little or no evidence that money is scarce or business dull there. In fact, more building has been done during the year than for a long time and if the improvement continues, as it is said they will, there's no telling how large the "Crescent City of Kentucky" will be.

The Old Fellows' building, which will be completed by Feb. 1, will be the handsomest structure in that part of the State. It will cost about \$20,000 and besides the magnificent Opera House, there will be in it commodious rooms for the Old Fellows and a beautiful meeting place for the Knights of Pythias, who own some stock in it. There will be one or more store rooms and a number of offices, most of which are already rented. The building is three stories high, very modern in architectural design and would be a credit to a city of 5,000 inhabitants.

The Opera House is on the first floor and will have a seating capacity of 1,200. The stage is 32x30 and \$750 worth of scenery has already been purchased for it. It will be a thing of beauty when completed and Managers R. G. Hall, J. E. Claunch and El Ogden, who pay \$700 per year rent, say they are going to give the people of Somerset and vicinity the opportunity of seeing the best shows on the road.

Another splendid business building has been put up on Somerset street, which also adds much to the appearance of the growing city, while residences have gone up by the dozen since my last visit of half a year ago.

Although there was no special attraction Saturday, there were almost as many country people in town as attend the county courts in Stanford. They were all busy too and the merchants must have had a good day. They do business in Somerset and if somebody isn't making money appearances count for nothing.

There will be a scramble for the post-office, notwithstanding Congressman Coleman says he has named the person, but won't tell who it is. Wm. Cooper, the sheriff, in his judgment, will be the lucky man, but there seems to be a general belief that Mrs. Tarter, who was postmaster under Harrison, will be the successful applicant.

There are scores of republican candidates for the county offices, but I heard of no democrat who had any desire to run. A primary will be held Feb. 6 and from now until that time there will be handshaking galore. Roscoe S. Hubble, who frequently brings stock to Stanford court, and is a relative of the Hubbles of Lincoln, seems to have a cinch on the nomination for sheriff. He is at present a deputy and understands the business of the office he seeks and is a good man besides. Mr. J. S. May, who married Miss Sallie Thurmond, of Lincoln, is one of the candidates for county clerk and stands a good chance to win, if V. K. Logan doesn't beat him.

Judge James Denton, who was a McKinley man in 1892, will likely be recognized by the major. He says he isn't an office seeker but might accept a good one if it were tendered. Judge William Catron will probably get something good also.

The Knights of Pythias are making preparations for a big hop Wednesday night. Johnson's Hall will be used and the beaux and belles from various towns will be on hand to trip the light fantastic.

Chief of Police Hughes and Sheriff Wm. Cooper are still getting letters telling of the location of John Anderson, who killed Editor Rucker some eight years ago. One received Saturday stated that he was at Lima, O. During the two years he has been sheriff Mr. Cooper says he has gotten at least 10,000 letters and telegrams concerning Anderson.

It will be some time yet till Somerset will be a dry town. W. O. Speed got license the day before the election on the question was held and his term will not expire till Aug. 3. He will have a bonanza after the other saloons close.

While they have a splendid electric light plant, Somerset's streets are very poorly lighted. The little incandescents are few and far between and do little or no good. They should have arc lights to correspond with their other city airs.

There are lots of Bryan admirers in Pulaski and the majority of those I talked with are for him in 1900. Judge A. A. Lewis is as fond of him and the cause he represents as any life long democrat I know of, notwithstanding the fact he had always been a republican worker until the last campaign. Dr. J. M. Owens, another republican who left the G. O. P., did valiant service for our nominees. The three precincts he spoke in gave democratic majorities for the first time in many years. —E. C. W.

—A Kansas paper says that Mrs. Lease's home, which is worth \$600, is mortgaged for \$1,400. And yet they say Mary doesn't understand finance.

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THE BEAUTIFUL STAR.

The wise men came out of the east,
Following the beautiful star,
And the angels they rode
Upon the clouds of gold from afar.

They came to Jerusalem's gate,
And a message to Herod dispatched
Saying, "Tell us the news
Of the King of the Jews,
Whose wonderful birth star we've watched."

King Herod sprang up in alarm,
And the seventy summoned at morn,
And demanded of them:
"O King, Bethlehem,"
They replied, "Is where Christ shall be born."

So the wise men to Bethlehem came,
Still following the beautiful star,
And they laid at the feet
Of the Christ Child sweetest
Their spices and gold from afar.

Then they reverently worshiped him there,
Though a ruler, a monarch, a king,
And gave thanks to the Lord
For fulfilling his word,
And returned to their country with joy.

And the lowly bending angels sang out,
While the thrilling, seraphic refrain
Filled the earth like a flood—
"Glory be unto God,
And on earth peace, good will unto men!"
—(Chicago Inter Ocean.)

PRINCESS LILITH.

Now, when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judah, in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem.

Saying, Where is he that is born King of the Jews? For we have seen his star in the east and are come to worship him.

When Herod the king had heard these things, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. And when he had gathered all the chief priests and scribes of the people together, he demanded of them where Christ should be born.

And they said unto him, In Bethlehem of Judaea.

Then Herod, when he had privily called the wise men, inquired of them diligently what time the star appeared.

And he sent them to Bethlehem and said, Go and search diligently for the young child, and when ye have found him, bring me word again, that I may come and worship him also.

Being warned of God in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed into their own country another way.

Then Herod, when he saw that he was mocked of the wise men, was exceeding wroth.—Matthew 2:1-16.

The Princess Lilith, daughter of King Herod, mused as she reclined upon a bed of purple, and the negress Noun waved a fan of feathers over her forehead, and the cat Astoroth slept at her feet.

Princess Lilith was 15 years of age. Her eyes were as deep as the water of a cistern, and her mouth was like a cyclamen flower.

She mused of her mother, Queen Miriam, who died when Lilith was still little more than a baby. She did not know that her father had killed her in a fit of jealousy, but she knew that he kept her body in the depths of a secret chamber, embalmed in honey and spices, and that he still wept for her.

She mused upon her father, King Herod, taciturn and always ill. Sometimes he shut himself up in his chamber, and there one could hear him scream aloud. It was because he thought he saw those whom he had caused to die—his stepbrother, Kostobar; his wife, Miriam; his sons, Aristobulus and Alexander, Lilith's brothers; his stepmother, Alexandra; her son, Antipater; the doctor of law, Babben-Bonta, and many others. Although Lilith knew nothing of all this, her father always inspired her with great terror.

She mused upon the Messiah looked for by the Jews and of whom she had heard so much from her nurse, Egla, now dead. And, although the Messiah would be king in Herod's place, she said to herself that she would very much like to see him.

Lastly she mused upon little Hozael, the son of her foster sister, Zebonda, who lived in Bethlehem. Hozael was a year old. He laughed merrily and was beginning to talk. Lilith loved him tenderly, and almost every day she ordered her maids to be harnessed into her cedar chariot and went with the negress Noun to visit the little Hozael.

Lilith mused upon all these things, and then it seemed to her that she was very much alone in the world and that without little Hozael she would be very sad.

Presently Lilith went into the garden to walk under the great sycamores. There she met old Zabolon, who had been formerly captain of the king's guard. Herod had replaced his Jewish guard by Roman soldiers, but having confidence in old Zabolon he had given him the care of that part of the palace inhabited by Lilith.

Old Zabolon, who had been feeble for many years, sat sunning himself upon a stone bench. His back was so bent with age that his long beard reached to his knees.

Lilith said to him, "Thou art sad, old Zabolon."

"Yes, Princess Lilith, because I have learned from a centurion that the king has given orders to kill tomorrow morning at dawn all the children in Bethlehem under two years of age."

"Why?"

"The wise men have announced that the Messiah is born. But it is not known how to recognize him, and the wise men have not returned to tell where they have found him. By killing all the babies in Bethlehem, the king is sure that the Messiah cannot escape him."

"That is true," said Lilith. "That is a clever device." Then after a moment's reflection, "Could I see him?"

"Who?"

"The Messiah."

"In order to see him, one must know where he is. And if we knew where to find him, the king would not be obliged to kill all the other little children of the town."

"That is true," said Lilith. Then she added in a low voice, as if she were afraid of her own words, "My father is very wicked." Then suddenly, "But little Hozael?"

"Little Hozael," said Zabolon, "will die with the others, for the soldiers will search every house."

"But I am very sure that little Hozael is not the Messiah. How could he be the Messiah? He is the son of my foster sister."

"Ask your father to spare him," said Zabolon.

"I dare not," said Lilith. Then she resumed: "I shall go myself with Noun and get little Hozael and hide him in my room. Then he will be very safe, for the king almost never comes there."

Lilith ordered the maids to be harnessed into her cedar chariot, sped to Bethlehem with Noun, entered the home of her foster sister Zebonda and said: "It is a long time since I have seen Hozael. I should like to carry him to my palace and keep him for a day and a night. The baby is weaned and has no longer need of my care. I will give him a dress of hyacinth and a collar of pearls." She said nothing to Zebonda of what she had learned from Zabolon, so afraid was she of the king. But she noticed that Zebonda's face shone with unwonted joy.

"Why art thou so joyous?" Zebonda hesitated a moment, then replied, "I am joyous, Princess Lilith, because you love my son."

"And thy husband—where is he?" Again Zebonda hesitated and answered, "He has gone to gather his flocks upon the mountain side."

Noun hid the little Hozael under her long veils, and Lilith and the good negress returned to the palace just as the sun was setting.

When Lilith reached her chamber, she took Hozael upon her lap, and the baby laughed and tried to pull the little princess' long ear pendants. But suddenly Noun, who was preparing some corn gruel for the child in the next room, rushed in crying: "The king! Here comes the king!"

Lilith had only time to hide Hozael in a large basket and cover him with a pile of silks and bright wools before King Herod entered with a slow, heavy tread, the chains and plates of gold, with which he was covered, sinking with each movement. His back was bent, and his bloodshot eyes glared in his terrible face. His chin shook so with the paltry that his bristly beard seemed to shudder. He said to Lilith, "Whence comest thou?"

She replied, "From Jericho." And she raised toward the king her eyes, as calm as the water of a cistern.

"Oh, how she resembles her!" murmured Herod.

At this moment a little cry came from the basket.

"Will you keep quiet?" said Lilith to the cat Astoroth, who slept on the rug. Then she said to the king: "My father, you seem troubled. Would you like me to sing to you?"

And taking her zither, she sang him a song about roses.

And the king murmured, "Oh, that voice!"

Then he fled, as if struck with fear, because Lilith's voice and eyes recalled to him the voice and eyes of Queen Miriam.

Lilith went into the garden and found old Zabolon weeping.

"Why dost thou weep, old Zabolon?"

"You know the cause, Princess Lilith. I weep because the king wishes to kill the little child who is the Messiah."

"But," said Lilith, "if he is really the Messiah, men cannot have the power to kill him."

"God wishes us to help him," replied Zabolon. "Princess, you, who are so good and so compassionate, should warn the father and mother of this little child."

"But where shall I find them?"

"Question the people of Bethlehem."

"But ought I to save one who will chase my father from this palace, one by whom I may some day become a poor prisoner or a beggar in the streets?"

"That day is far removed," said Zabolon, "and the Messiah is now only a tiny babe, more helpless even than little Hozael."

"But are you sure that he is the Messiah?" demanded Lilith.

"Yes," said Zabolon, "because he was born in Bethlehem at the time appointed by the prophets and the wise men have seen his star."

"He must be very beautiful, although he is so small. Don't you think so, Zabolon?"

"It is written that he shall be the most beautiful among the children of men."

"I shall go to see him," said Lilith.

When night came, Lilith enveloped herself in long black veils, and the bracelets and circles of gold upon her arms and ankles, the collars about her neck and the precious stones with which she was covered shone through her veils as softly as the stars in the sky. And thus Lilith resumed the night, whose name she bore, for in Hebrew "Lilith" signifies "the night."

She left the palace secretly with the negress Noun, and as she walked she mused: "I should not want the Messiah to take the crown from my father because it would be very hard for me not to live in a beautiful palace any more and not to have any more soft rugs and pretty dresses and perfumes and jewels. But still I do not want them to kill this little newborn child. So I shall tell my father that I have discovered its hiding place, and as a recompense for this service I shall entreat him to spare the child and keep him in his palace. Thus he cannot harm us, and if he is really the Messiah he will let us share his power."

Lilith found Zebonda and her husband, Methuelon, in prayer. Both seemed filled with great joy. Lilith bethought her of a ruse.

"Hozael is very well," said she, "and I shall bring him back to you tomorrow. But since you know where to find the Messiah lead me to him. I am come to adore him."

Methuelon was a simple man, little disposed to think ill of others, so he replied, "I will show you the way, Princess Lilith."

When they reached the spot where the infant lay, Lilith was greatly astonished, for she had expected to see something extraordinary and magnificent without knowing exactly what, and she only saw a little built against a rock and in this hut an ass, an ox, a man who appeared to be a workman, a woman of the people, beautiful, yes, but pale and delicate and poorly clad. And in the manger, lying upon the straw, was a little child, whom at first glance she thought like any other child. But when she drew nearer she saw its eyes, and in those eyes a look not that of a babe, an infinite sweetness more than human, and she became aware that the stable was only lighted by the light which emanated from him.

She said to the young mother, "What is your name?"

"Mirym."

"And your little boy?"

"Jesus."

"He seems to be very good."

"He means sometimes, but he never cries."

"Will you let me kiss him?"

"Yes, madam," said Mirym.

Lilith stooped and kissed the child upon the forehead, and Mirym was a little vexed that she did not kneel.

"So," said Lilith, "this little child is the Messiah?"

"You have said it, madam."

"And he will be King of the Jews?"

"It is for that that God has sent him."

"But then he will make war and kill many men, and he will dethrone King Herod or his successor?"

"No," said Mirym, "for his kingdom is not of this world. He will have neither guards nor soldiers. He will have neither palaces nor treasures. He will not inflict taxes upon the people, and he will live like the poorest fisherman on the lake of Genesareth. He will be the servant of the poor and humble. He will heal the sick and comfort the afflicted. He will teach truth and justice. It is over hearts, not bodies, that he will reign. He will suffer to teach us the price of suffering. He will be the King of Love, for he will love all men. And he will teach those who are tormented with a longing which this world cannot satisfy where their poor hearts can find peace and joy. And no doubt he will have a throne."

"Ah, now you see!" said Lilith, still resisting.

"But," resumed Mirym, "the throne will be a cross. He will die upon a cross to expiate the sins of men so that God, his Father, may have pity upon them."

Lilith listened in astonishment. Slowly she turned her head toward the manger. The babe was gazing at her, and, vanquished by the caress of those deep eyes, she murmured, "No one ever told me those things before," and falling upon her knees she adored him.

"I know," said Lilith as she rose, "that King Herod will search for the child to kill him. Take the ass and fly. I will pay its master."

Following the narrow paths which wound in and out among the round hills the little company soon reached the plain. "Here," said the princess, "I must leave you. I am the Princess Lilith, daughter of King Herod. Remember me."

And as they disappeared in the darkness of the night, Joseph leading the ass upon which sat Mirym holding the infant Jesus in her arms, Lilith followed with her eyes the miracle encircling his divine brow. As the pale, mysterious light disappeared behind a forest of sycamores Lilith heard the tramp of horses' hoofs and the clanking of swords upon the opposite road. It was the squadron of Roman soldiers marching toward Bethlehem.

Every one knows that the Princess Lilith was one of the holy women who followed Jesus on the day of his sacrifice and that little Hozael was one of the first disciples of Christ, the Savior.

—Translated from the French by V. M. in Romance.

Hoiled Bull For the Poor.

In May, 1861, George Staverton left a sum of money to purchase a bull, which bull he gave to the poor of Wokingham town and parish. The animal was to be boiled, the hide and the offal to be sold, and the proceeds expended in the purchase of shoes and stockings, to be bestowed upon poor children. Up to the year 1828 a bull was regularly boiled on the 21st of December in the market place of Wokingham. But in that year the corporation of the town determined upon discontinuing such a proceeding, which has since accordingly been omitted. At Christmas, 1835, a mob broke open during the night the place where one of the animals was kept and boiled it, in spite of the magistrate's endeavors to prevent them, and similar attempts have since been made on other occasions.—Boston Herald.

Vipers Lose Their Venom on Christmas.

In Calabria, south Italy, it is believed that vipers will not bite on Christmas day, or that if they do their bite is harmless, the poison being neutralized by the sanctity of the day.

Christmas Sleighing Song.

There's a loving tune in the pine cone's ember
When the white frost catches the window pane;
There's a ringing strain that all remember
In the tender voice and the lifted strain;
But, despite the joys of the dawn December—
The carols of the night, the Yule log's glow—
I'd rather be where the night winds rally
And blow their bugles, a-ho, heigh-ho,
Down the valley, sleighing with Sally
Over the crispy snow!

Forsooth 'tis jolly under the hoity
When the feet of the dancers trip in time,
And there's never a touch of melancholy
When the fiddle follows the oboe's rhyme,
But for all the fun and for all the folly,
And for all the laughing and the merriment,
I'd rather be where the night winds rally
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—Clinton Scotland.

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SECRETARY OLNEY has stirred up the Senatorial monkeys by saying in an interview that "the right to recognize the so-called Republic of Cuba as an independent State rests exclusively with the executive, and that a resolution from Congress on the subject, unless approved by the president, would be ineffectual, even if passed by a two-thirds vote of each House, and would only have the importance of advice." As the remark seems to convey the meaning that the president would veto the Cameron resolution if passed, and ignore it if it should be passed over his veto unless events in Cuba led him to a belief that the time had come for interference, the jingoes are cutting high jinks over what they regard as a denial of the authority of Congress. On the other hand many of the more conservative and equally as influential members of both Houses agree with the secretary, including a majority of the House Committee on Foreign Affairs. The secretary holds that there is no Cuban government to recognize and until one is established, Congress should not rush madly into the breach and declare for war. To which the more thoughtful and less excitable people will say amen. The experience of the United States in war ought to teach us a lesson. Another war and some more pension bills will bankrupt the country.

J. W. HATCH, postmaster at Newport and proprietor of the Journal newspaper published there, has skipped under a charge of the embezzlement of \$5,000 or more. The government has taken charge of the post-office and demanded that the sureties make good the amount. Mr. Hatch was prominent in church and lodge circles, being a Methodist, Odd Fellow and Knight of Pythias, and was considered an all around good fellow. Politics is said to have been the cause of his downfall, which everyone, who knows him, sincerely regrets.

DOUBTLESS Jim Stone, the brutal assailant of Mrs. Green, near Mayfield, deserves his fate, but it was criminal carelessness for the officers of the law to take him to Mayfield, after his confinement in Louisville, and adopt no means to prevent his execution by a mob. He was taken from the jail there Sunday night and hung. It is just such officers and just such acts that bring upon Kentucky's name further charges of lawlessness and disorder, and the officers at least ought to be made to suffer for their gross neglect.

AFTER over a quarter of a century of honorable discharge of the duties of appellate judge, Chief Justice W. S. Pryor retired Saturday, when his associates presented him with a fine gold watch and passed highly eulogistic resolutions on his services as an officer and his standing as a man, to which he responded in feeling terms. It was a bad day for Kentucky, when she retired the greatest judge, who has occupied her highest bench in several decades.

THE republicans are making a bluff towards a contest of the election of W. B. Smith, the only democratic elector. The grounds are claimed to be fraud and ballot box stuffing in the 1st and irregularities in the 2d, 3d, 4th, 6th and 10th. Of course this is a sham and done simply to offset the many charges of fraud committed by republicans everywhere they could and especially in the 11th. There will be no contest on either side. Mark that.

AFTER the Louisville Post has done all in its power to elect candidates who decline to admit that the tariff is a tax, it is useless for it to shriek now that it is a tax. Its advice to its new found friends not to pass a high protective bill will have as little effect as its pleas for democracy have had in the past. In boxing the political compass the Post has boxed itself out of the ring and has no standing in any party.

WITH war paint from one end to his other, with his breeches shoved in his boots, fire in his eye, blood on his nose and a terrible snicker in his hand, Emmett Logan, the fierce warrior of the Louisville Times, issues this ultimatum: "Spain must put up, shot up or get off the New World." This is enough. The cruel war will soon be over and Weyler and his men go marching home.

THE court of appeals decides that police judges and others sitting as examining courts are entitled to \$2 a case and \$2 a day if it takes longer than a day. The auditor held that \$2 a day was all the law contemplated. This ruling will help many a poor officer at the expense of the debt burdened State, which seems to get it in the neck in all decisions.

THE Conrier-Journal has occasional lucid moments as witness the following in a lengthy editorial: We do not say that editing a newspaper is the greatest occupation known to man; but a great editor is a long way ahead of the job lot of Senators, Congressmen and cabinet members as the riff-raff of such cattle go at Washington.

THERE is nothing small about the Harrodsburg Stylings. It goes the whole hog or none by announcing that it will observe the time-honored custom and issue a paper at all Christmas week. But even at that it does no more than the w-k-ives, which take an issue off. Ten days is a mighty long time, however, for a semi-weekly to shut up shop.

IT is sent out from Frankfort that the reorganized court of appeals will reverse the late hank tax decision, and as the court has the reputation of reversing itself on the slightest provocation, the story is doubtless true. Kentucky's highest court hasn't ranked very high for years and its tendency is decidedly downward.

A YOUNG woman in Cincinnati is suing for divorce because her husband proves not to be a man. If all the wives whose husbands are not really and truly men were to file pleas for separation, the courts could hardly pass on them as fast as applications would be made.

POLITICAL POINTS.

—Bryan will lecture at Atlanta on the 23d.

—Gen. P. Watt Hardin is soliciting subscriptions to start the democratic daily at Louisville.

—The House passed a bill appropriating \$130,000 for a government building and exhibit at the Nashville exposition.

—According to the election returns published by the secretary of State in Arkansas, 86 votes were cast for the late Jefferson Davis for presidential elector.

—The Lodge bill, which shuts out immigrants over the age of 16, who can not read and write, amended so as to exempt Cubans during the war, passed the House 52 to 10.

—The populist State committee will meet at Louisville Dec. 31, to confer about fusion with silver democrats in the various counties on county officers at the next election.

—Col. John S. May, who married Miss Sallie Thurmond, of Lincoln, is a candidate for county clerk of Pulaski, and as he has a way of getting there we hope he will not lose it this time.

—Our friend Henry Watterson is already engaged in a desperate hand-to-hand conflict with the Cleveland boom of 1900. Henry, we regret to say, has a bad case of slaughter house on the brain.

—Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

—There are now 70,000 postmasters in the United States, and it took \$300,000,000 last year to pay for the postal service. The first year of Washington's administration we had 75 post-offices, and the mail service cost \$32,000 hard cash.

—The American Federation of Labor by a vote of 1,935 to 302 declared for the free coinage of silver at 16 to 1, pledged its support to any party so declaring, unanimously re-elected President Compers and unanimously fired Secretary McGrath.

—John B. Thompson told a Cincinnati Enquirer man: "We are by no means disheartened, and will carry the State next year with a vim. I had the unlimited corruption fund and 5,000 fraudulent votes to fight and it was more than I could stand up under."

—Judge W. S. Pryor, on retiring from the appellate bench in January, will become the senior member of a Louisville law firm to be styled Pryor, O'Neal & Pryor, his son, Joseph, to be the junior member. The office will be in Louisville. Judge Pryor will remain in Frankfort.

—Booker T. Washington, the Negro principal of the State Normal and Industrial College for Negroes at Tuskegee, Ala., who became famous by a speech at the opening of the Atlanta exposition, is being vigorously pushed by his Negro friends in Georgia and Alabama for a place in McKinley's cabinet.

—William Schuler, of Cincinnati, who was stakeholder for \$2,000 bet on the Kentucky election, decided that those who bet that McKinley would carry the State lost; also those who bet that Bryan would carry the State lost, and that the bets were a draw. He paid the money back to those who put it up, and nobody lost or won anything.

—That celestial specimen of a patriot, Scrub Bynum, whose soul so revolted at the stain to be put upon the country by Bryan's election, is to go to New York and continue the fight against the democratic party. He gets several thousand dollars per annum for his self-sacrificing work. The question is who pays the money?—Bowling Green Courier Hanna, that's easy to answer. Give us a hard one.

—Can the bitterest gold bug find anything in this excerpt from a recent speech of Mr. Bryan to hang the charge of anarchism upon: "I love my country so much, I love my people so well that I shall rejoice if the result of the late campaign proves I was wrong and my opponent was right. Because if he can make the government better than I could have made it, then my children and your children will enjoy the benefits."

—Read this and paste it away. It is the sum total of the popular vote for president:

For McKinley.....7,109,480
Bryan.....6,508,681
Prohibition.....140,494
Palmer.....132,056
Socialist.....33,942-6,815,173

McKinley over all.....294,307
McKinley's vote was 51 per cent of all.
Bryan's vote was 46 per cent of all.
Palmer's vote was less than 1 per cent of all.

—Dr. A. D. James, the Senator who was fired and afterwards re-elected is quite sick at his home in Muhlenburg.

—Ex-Congressman Rowell G. Horr died of Bright's disease Friday at his home, Plainfield, N. J., after an illness of two weeks.

—Mr. McKinley in leaving Canton, for Chicago, escapes from the 12,000 Ohio office seekers, it is true, but has any one counted the Illinois men who wish to serve their country?

—The friends of C. W. Fairbanks, rep., claim that he will have at least 55 votes in the republican caucus for the nomination to succeed Senator Voorhees. Only 43 votes are needed.

—It is said that Speaker Reed and Chairman Hitt, of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, have determined that the Cameron resolutions recognizing Cuban independence shall not pass the House.

—The Senate committee on foreign affairs agreed upon a favorable report of the Cameron resolutions, "that the independence of the Republic of Cuba be and the same is hereby acknowledged by the United States of America" and that "the United States will use its friendly offices with the government of Spain to bring to a close the war between Spain and Cuba." The resolution was reported to the Senate yesterday, but will not be acted upon by that body until after the holidays. There is strong opposition to it.

MORE NEWS NOTES.

—The tax rate in Louisville has been fixed at \$1.35.

—The plague in Bombay had killed 1,094 to Thursday.

—The L. & N. depot at Austerlitz was burned Saturday.

—A 12-year-old boy was convicted at Paris of horse stealing.

—An aged farmer near Maynard, Mass. was brutally murdered by robbers.

—There is a week-old baby in Camden, N. J., that only weighs 9 1/2 ounces.

—Silas Morgan was cut to death at a dance at Kingston by George Steele, who colored.

—I. Ealoe, wife and grand child were burned to death in their home near Ashtabula, O.

—Hermann, the magician, died of heart disease in his private car at Great Valley, N. Y.

—A 7 1/2 ounce baby was born to a New York couple that was still alive and well at last accounts.

—James Smith, colored, was hanged in Prince George's county, Md., for murdering a young woman.

—Mrs. Martha Gilliland and her 16-year old daughter were ground to pieces by a train at Ladoga, Ind.

—Kuklux took L. C. Combs, former jailer of Perry county, from his home and beat him into insensibility.

—A train on the Southern Railway was held up by two masked men in Fayette county, Ala., and robbed.

—Jacksonville, Fla., is on a boom. Its population has increased 1,784 this year and 271 new houses have been built.

—James Fee, while resisting arrest at Hydon, Leslie county, was shot to death by officers. He was painting the town red.

—By the explosion of two boilers in a woolen mill at Centreville, R. I., three persons were killed and one fatally injured.

—George Finley, who attacked a white man with a knife for accusing him of stealing corn, was shot to death by a mob near Mayfield.

—A Louisville man and his son had a fight, after which the old man dropped dead of heart failure produced by excitement and anger.

—Great Britain was shaken by an earthquake last week but no damage was done further than to frighten timid people out of their wits.

—The Hon. John Randolph Tucker, dean of the law school of Washington and Lee University, is critically ill at his home at Lexington, Va.

—In the George's Branch precinct of Breathitt county, there is open war between the Ku-klux and Red String clans, and gory times are expected.

—The University of the South at Seawane, Tenn., has been given \$35,000 cash and property valued at \$15,000 by Dr. E. A. Hoffman, of New York.

—John J. Thornton, an editor of Ashtland, Clay county, Ala., was shot at through a window at his home and killed in the presence of his family.

—James Hamblin and son, of Brown county, Ind., were bound hands and feet by a solitary robber, who afterwards assaulted his 10-year-old daughter.

—Of 16 men who drank "speak-easy" whiskey near Wheeling, W. V., three are dead; another will die, three are crazy and the remaining nine are very sick.

—Thomas Stone, of Elkhart, Ind., fell into a well while walking in his sleep and drowned. A few nights before he awoke to find himself on the roof of his house.

—In several counties of the State, turnpike owners have given their roads to the county. This sort of liberality ought to make a toll gate raider ashamed of himself.

—Mrs. W. T. Leachman, of Louisville, it is believed, perished in the furious snow storm in New York, which the Journal says cost the city over \$2,000,000 and many lives.

—A woman near Chillicothe, O., ended a quarrel with another woman by throwing a bucketful of lye in her face, burning out her eyes and also her infant's, which died in a short time.

—James Harvey broke his wife's neck at Wilmington, O.

—Three men were killed and seven injured in a wreck on the Texas and Pacific railroad near Sodus, La.

—Detective Welch has arrested at Nicholasville two men whom he believes to be members of the gang of toll gate raiders.

—Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Goldsmith, of New York, and their three small children were killed by the explosion of a piano lamp in their apartments.

—George Blance, of Anderson, Ind., has been declared insane because of the Pearl Bryan tragedy. He read everything about it, till his mind gave away and he attempted to kill his wife.

—A Negro stole a hog at Paris Thursday night, was arrested next morning, indicted and sentenced to six years in the penitentiary, all within 18 hours, making it the swiftest course of justice on record.

—The town of Radford, Va., was visited by a conflagration, the entire business centre being wiped out. Thirty-seven buildings, including stores, residences and one hotel, the Hoffman House, were burned. Loss \$100,000.

—The Frankfort penitentiary report shows that 1,375 prisoners were confined during the year; 753 were received, and 722 released, died, escaped, etc. Dec. 1, the population was 1,135. The prison fell \$32,586 short of being self-sustaining.

—By order of Congress \$130,000 worth of seeds will be distributed in 1897. This equals \$288.99 for each representative, Senator and delegate in Congress, or enough to allow 30,000 packages of seed to each member, field seed in quart packages.

—George Ballard, breeder of skunks and foxes, near this city, is advertising for 500 redskins at \$2 per fox. Zede Hodgkin and A. S. Simpson sold Chester Dean 62 calves at \$7.15. Some sales of corn are reported at \$1.25 a barrel.—Winchester Sun.

Should Corn be Husked for Cattle?

Probably a majority of the cattle feeders of this section of the corn belt feed largely husked corn, though shelled corn, shelled corn and cornmeal or corn and cob meal are also used to a considerable extent. The most successful feeders are, however, inclined to rely mainly on shelled corn during the fall and winter months and shell or grind that which is used later. These feeders have largely discarded ear corn.

My own experience and observation have been that shelled corn is very much preferable to husked corn for feeding cattle. The advantages are that it is safer and cattle are much less liable to derangement of digestion and ill effects of overfeeding, and the corn retains a softer, fresher and more palatable condition through the winter months with the husk on than when it is removed. I prefer to have only about half of the husk left on, this being the inner and softer husk, which is very acceptable and to a considerable extent serves as a satisfactory substitute for hay. In our feeding at the Iowa station we rarely if ever use any husked corn. Shelled corn in fall and winter and corn and cob meal during the summer months are preferable to husked corn. The shelled corn is run through a cheap hand cutter, which chops both ears and husk into about two inch lengths. To this we add sufficient clover hay to give bulk and a small allowance of oilmeal, gluten or cottonseed meal—the choice depending largely upon the market price of these products—to add sufficient nitrogenous matter to give the best results.—Professor C. F. Curtis of Iowa Experiment Station in Breeder's Gazette.

Live Stock Points.

A bushel of corn ought to make ten pounds of pork.

Between Jan. 1, 1888, and Jan. 1, 1896, the average price of a horse fell in this country from \$71.80 to \$30. Here is one of the reasons why farmers are not satisfied.

Yorkshire hogs, especially of the breeds known as the small, medium Yorks, are favorites in England, but the Tamworths are the most highly prized of all there. The Yorkshires are white, the Tamworths spotted. We should like to see men who have time and can afford to experiment with the Tamworths here. They are a breed little known in the United States. Perhaps they would be the hog whose meat would sell best in England. Danish government experts selected the English Tamworth as the foundation for improved pork in their country.

After a hog is 6 months old it fattens much more slowly than it did up to that time. It is best in these times to fatten and sell pigs at about 8 months old.

Mr. Dunham of Illinois was not a little disgusted when one of his French coach stallions that he rated second took first prize over his famous Indre in one of the classes at the New York horse show.

Nowadays it does not pay to keep a hog till it is over 8 months old. As soon as pigs are old enough to eat and drink, begin to feed them, and keep on feeding till they are ready for the butcher. Give them ground oats mixed with an equal part of rye or wheat, ground. Feed also bran and shorts. The feed must be moistened. Use skim milk for this purpose if you have it; if not, water or clean slop. Give them very little corn till they are past 8 months old.

"Pawers are funny animals," said an old turkman, "always want a knee boot, different bit, jump on their quarters or something else to make it bad living with them around."

—Bishop Dudley gave his hearers hell Sunday. At least that was the subject of his very able discourse.

Merry Christmas

Has almost arrived. MAKE

Your Friends Happy

By purchasing from us useful presents.

We Have a Magnificent Display

Of everything beautiful and seasonable.

Handkerchiefs, many dozen of them in plain and fancy, to sell from 5c up. Gloves, both ladies and gents', a big assortment and prices sure to suit you. Also a big line of Mufflers.

HOLIDAY SLIPPERS!

Just the thing for a Christmas Present to gents, and we have them in handsome velvet embroidered with flowers. Patent leathers and nullifiers in black and tan from 50c. up. SHIRTS, white and fancy, to sell at 50c to \$1.50. Beautiful line of

NECKWEAR!

In the latest Styles, Ladies' and Gents' UNDERWEAR will be sold at Reduced Prices from now on to the end of the season. A useful gift is a nice

Hat, Cap, Suit of Clothes,

And either of them would be appreciated by any sensible man or boy. Also a nice bed spread, napkins, table linens, towels, a Cape or Jacket would be appreciated by any sensible woman.

LOTS OF DOLLS AND TOYS

For the young. Don't fail to inspect our line before you buy.

THE LOUISVILLE STORE.

A: URBANSKY & CO., Proprietors,

T. D. RANEY, Manager.

Branch Stores:

Paris, Carlisle, Mt. Sterling, Bardstown, Lawrenceburg, Cynthiana, Versailles, Eminence, Georgetown, Elizabethtown, and Frankfort, Ky., Mauckport, Ind.

COAL.

Buy your Coal now before it goes up, for the Winter.

All Farm Products taken in exchange.

J. H. BAUGHMAN & CO.

Much Sickness Prevails

At this season of the year. You need medicine. What you buy of drugs should be pure and fresh. I guarantee my goods of best quality. Have your prescriptions filled here.
PENNY'S DRUG STORE.

Do You Eat

.....We have a House full of.....

Good: Things

To eat. Prices lower than other people's. Would like for you to

POST YOURSELF,

And then let us show you our goods and give you prices.

HIGGINS & McKINNEY.

You should take your prescriptions to Penny's drug store where prompt and accurate service is guaranteed.

PERSONAL POINTS.

Mrs. L. R. Jones is very ill of catarrhal fever.

Mrs. Annie James is visiting in Crab Orchard.

Miss Octavia Sizemore has returned from Louisville.

Harris Warren is clerking in Severance & Son's store.

Mrs. Ida Webb, of Louisville, is with Miss Nellie Orndorff.

Fayette Owensley, of this county, has been granted a pension.

Miss Adeline Saupley is visiting Miss Mary Logan at Richmond.

Rev. G. P. Taubman, of Newport, joined his wife here yesterday.

Miss Mollie Brooks, of Crab Orchard, is with Mrs. J. G. Carpenter.

Miss Annie Evans, of Louisville, is visiting Mrs. Annie Engleman.

Miss Josephine Reid is at home from Glendale College at Glendale, O.

Mrs. James Roy and Dr. O. M. Thompson, of Kingsville, were here yesterday.

Miss Berrie Burnside, a Garrard county beauty, is with Miss Pearl Burnside.

Miss Nora Phillips left Sunday morning for Oxford, O., to attend a Normal School.

Miss Helen Thurmond went up to Pineville Saturday to visit Mrs. Jeff Jones.

Col. W. F. Sheridan leaves to-day for Newark, O., to spend Xmas with his mother.

Mr. R. H. Patten, of Gilberts Creek, is spending a few days with his parents at Somerset.

Miss Lucia McAffee returned to Lebanon yesterday after a delightful visit to Miss Anna Shanks.

Mr. E. W. Smith has returned from Boston and his old home in Virginia, after several months absence.

Dr. Tom Bottom, of Kidd's Store, has been circulating among his many friends here this week.—Advocate.

Mr. William Bottoms and son, of Harrodsburg, were here yesterday to secure a house to open a saloon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Chisholm will occupy one of Mrs. N. W. Lyons' houses on Lower Main street after Jan. 1.

Miss Sue Willie Hale returned with her brother, John, to Somerset Sunday and will spend the Christmas with him.

Miss Mary Oath has returned from Hamilton College, Lexington, to spend the holidays with her parents near Turnersville.

Miss Ollie Baldwin, who has been with her sister, Mrs. W. H. Shanks, for several weeks, returned to her home in Madison Saturday.

Mrs. Betty McKinney, Mrs. W. J. Yager and the boy came up from Louisville yesterday and are at "Castle Cobb" for the holiday.

Mrs. Orie Huffman and Miss Honeywood Holliman, of Lancaster, went to Louisville Saturday to spend the Christmas with Mrs. Mattie Robison.

Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Webb, Jr., and son, T. S. Webb, Jr., will arrive from Knoxville to-night to visit their parents, Judge and Mrs. M. C. Sautley.

In the Courier Journal's baby exhibit Sunday, two little faces were recognized here, that of Dr. W. B. Penny's little girl and James T. Carson's first born.

Mr. James F. Holman, of Crab Orchard, was on yesterday's train returning from Winchester, Va., where he has been working for the Wrought Iron Range Co.

Mrs. J. N. Lake, of Terre Haute, Ind., with her pretty baby, Mary Gray Brown Lake, returned home Saturday after spending some time with her parents at Lancaster.

Mr. Charles Anderson and bride passed through to Lancaster Sunday. The bride was Miss Hallie Herring, of Lancaster, and they were married in Louisville Saturday.

CITY AND VICINITY.

CHEAPEST Xmas stock in town at Craig & Hocker's.

Toys and "Toy books" to suit all ages at Craig & Hocker's.

Big lot of teachers' Bibles at low prices at W. B. McRoberts.

Try our La-Flor-De-Portuondo cigar. Higgins & McKinney.

We will save you \$2 to \$3 on a cape or jacket. Severance & Son.

For elegant gifts to suit any one. See Danks, the jeweler. 25c up.

"Golden to-night; warmer Tuesday," said yesterday's weather prediction.

See "The Bride" at Craig & Hocker's. It takes only a lucky guess to get her.

SPECIAL money saving handkerchief sale to-day and to-morrow. Severance & Son.

APPLES, Oranges, Lemons, Candies, Nuts, Raisins, &c., at Warren & Shanks.

The property on Lancaster street occupied by J. F. Cummins for rent. P. P. Nunnally.

DIAMONDS at Danks.

SOLID gold set ring 88c. Danks.

See our 10 and 25-cent counters. Faris & Hardin.

We have bargains in carving sets. Higgins & McKinney.

READ Severance & Son's handkerchief ad. Severance & Son.

W. H. BURNETT's headquarters for fine Fruits, Candies, Nuts, &c.

A nice present for the "Old Folks," Spectacles. Craig & Hocker.

STORE ROOM, with entrances both on Main and Lancaster streets, for rent. W. F. Walton.

THERE is nothing small about us. Double issues three times straight along and still there's more to follow.

THE Roller Mills will be closed down Friday and Saturday on account of the holidays. J. H. Bangeman & Co.

MINSTRELS. At Walton's Opera House. To night, 22d.

FOR SALE OR RENT.—My place beyond toll-gate on Danville pike. Possession Jan. 1. Mrs. Fannie Dunn, Stanford.

FOR RENT.—Cottages on East Main street occupied by Wm. Moreland. Possession Jan. 1. Apply to Harvey Helm.

HOLIDAY gifts and children's toys to suit every one at lowest prices. Call and look through. W. B. McRoberts.

Is six days after proofs of Elder Logan Williams' death were received the Equitable Life paid his family the \$5,000 policy he held in the company.

WANTED.—A big lot of rye straw in bundles after the rye is baled out. Will pay market price. Will be in Stanford Dec. 25th to 26th. A. T. Nunnally.

OUR Xmas business, oranges, lemons, Malaga and Catawba grapes, apples, cranberries, figs, nuts, &c., are ready for you. Low prices. Higgins & McKinney.

ALL those indebted to W. H. Wearen & Co. must settle at once, or their accounts will be placed in the hands of an officer. Take this to yourself if you owe them.

WANTED!—5,000 turkeys and 2,000 geese; also chickens, ducks, eggs, fides, furs, feathers and game. Write us for prices. The lots of live poultry a specialty. H. B. Norcott & Co., Lancaster, Ky.

Ben Sims, the old Negro who had been with Mrs. Fannie Green for years, but who disappeared some time ago, returned as suddenly as he departed. He says he has been to Oxford and walked going and coming.

THE editor of the INTERIOR JOURNAL is indebted to the W. C. T. U. of Crab Orchard for some very complimentary resolutions with reference to himself in connection with the whisky traffic, but modestly forbids their publication.

If you want to kill a Negro you will have to shoot him in the heel. Jim Newman, who was shot through the lower, cutting into several bones, the necessary, is, we are told by Dr. W. M. Dunbar, sitting up and doing well, with every chance to live, unless he eats himself to death. The doctors took out the man's bowels, washed them out, sewed them up and put them in their place again and the patient has suffered little inconvenience.

THE PLACE TO GET YOUR PRINTING.—A call at the INTERIOR JOURNAL office, while in Stanford last week showed their busy force to be keeping up their reputation for energy and push as a printing establishment. Bro. Walton's outfit is not excelled by any out side the large cities, and the work turned out, from a visiting card to a blank sheet poster, is always first class. Presses, large and small, type stands innumerable, paper cutters and loads of paraphernalia fill the big press room of 35x60, chuck full. A line of shafting passes into the engine room, where two engines are ready to do the work when needed. One a steam and the other a gasoline engine. If the Walton's ain't happy with all this, it must be on account of the delinquent subscriber.—Jim Maret's Mt. Vernon Signal.

THE fiscal court met Saturday to take steps towards complying with the demand for free turnpikes. A committee consisting of Squires Edmiston, Bailey and Faulkner was appointed to confer with the various companies and report to an adjourned meeting Jan. 14. If they are willing to sell at reasonable figures, their propositions will be accepted, if not condemnation proceedings will be instituted and a levy made for the purpose of raising the money to buy them or as many as possible. County Attorney Paxton expressed the opinion to the court that the election was void because the petition asking for it was noted of record at a special term of the county court and the election ordered at a regular term only four days thereafter, while, in his opinion, the law required that the petition should be noted of record at a regular term and the election ordered at the succeeding regular term so as to give 30 intervening days for the tax payers to investigate the proceeding. The attorney for the petitioners expressed a contrary opinion and the court took the action above indicated.

SILVER novelties galore at Danks.

SOLID 14kt gold watch \$19.95. Danks.

W. H. BRADY has on hand 2,000 lbs. of candy for the Xmas trade.

Tea spoons \$1.50 set. Butter knives 25c up. See Danks' Xmas bargains.

THIRTY dozen pocket knives for Xmas. Come get one. Higgins & McKinney.

HANDSOME Albums and Medallions cheap at Craig & Hocker's Drug House.

A PACKAGE of Firecrackers with each pound of Stick Candy at Warren & Shanks.

THE Corbin Enterprise goes for our city council like a thousand of brick for licensing saloons.

WE have just opened an elegant line of Holiday Goods in China, Glass and Queensware. Call in and inspect. Warren & Shanks.

OF course you will go to the show to-night and to be sure of a seat you had better get one in advance at McRoberts' drug store. There is going to be a crowd to see the Melbourne Minstrels.

THE Christmas treat for the Walnut Flat Sunday school scholars will be given next Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock, instead of Saturday as at first announced. The children will bear this in mind and be on hand Christmas Eve.

ORANGE TREE.—Messrs. Warren & Shanks have in one of their show windows an orange tree which has on it 40 odd oranges. They are about ripe and while they are small they are said to be even sweeter than those raised in summer times. The tree is the property of Mrs. J. D. Bastin, of the Highland section.

FACTORY.—Squire John Bailey, who was the reddest hot free silver man of them all during the campaign, has given up the currency agitation now and gone to work to secure subscribers to a currency factory he proposes to start at Moreland. It will run "confidence" to be used during the next four years. He was here Saturday and received much encouragement.

THE hope at Walton's Opera House Thursday night proved one of the most delightful of the many that have been given there. The young cast were on their best behavior and not the slightest let up occurred during the fleeting hours to mar the enjoyment. A Danville Orchestra furnished good music and the ladies vied with each other in looking their prettiest and dressing their nicest. There was a large crowd of spectators present in addition to the following who "whirled themselves with strict embraces round": Misses Elizabeth Logan and Annie Pickett, Shelby, Ollie Baldwin, Madison, Lucia McAfee, Lebanon; Anne Shanks, Pearl Barnside, Eva Lammers, Bessie Richards, Clara and Ophelia Lackey, Sue Runt, Sue Willie Hale, A. Lele Felard; Mrs. W. A. Tribble, Mrs. J. M. Alverson, Mrs. Dr. W. B. Panny, Mrs. W. Carroll Shanks; Messrs. Newland, Runt, McRoberts, Sautley, Reid, Owens, Warren, Fayne, Sheridan, Freight Helm, Bruce, Tribble, Shanks, Alverson; Hale, Sammesel, Yeager, Chasman, Danville; Wheeler, Eastonville; Doty, Sautley, Walker, Frisno, Robinson, Lancaster; Jack Shelby, Junction City.

THE CONFEDERATES.—About 10 of the 30-odd Confederate soldiers in the county responded to the call to meet at Col. Welch's office Saturday afternoon to form a branch of the Confederate Veterans Association. Each signified his willingness to join, and as it only requires five to institute a branch, one would have been formed but for the failure to procure the necessary papers from the president of the association at Lexington. It was therefore decided to adjourn the meeting to next county court day at 2 o'clock at the same place, when all the arrangements will be perfected and when it is hoped every Confederate in the county will be present. It costs about \$5 a year to belong to the association, which sum goes to a general fund that now exceeds \$40,000 and which is intended for the relief of the needy of those who fought for the lost cause. So far only a few have applied for assistance but most of those who fought 30-odd years ago are getting to be old men now and many will soon be unable to earn their living. It is to provide for these and to keep green the memories of those who fell in the battles of war or have since fallen by the wayside in the almost as stern battle of life that the association was formed with its attendant dues. The object is a noble one and every man who fought for the cause he loved and who loves those who fought with him ought to be a member of the association. They were and still are the flowers of the earth. They get no pension themselves, but they contribute a large part to the fund of those who do. There are no drones among them, living off of the bounty of the government, like the many barnacles of the otherside, but all are active workers in the hive and the prominence and affluence that many have attained show of what stuff they are made. God bless the old boys and prolong their days on earth to the full span of life.

N. B.—Every Confederate soldier in Lincoln county will oblige the editor of this paper by sending his name, company, regiment and command to him at once.

W. P. TATE has closed out the remainder of his stock of goods to D. W. Vandever.

THE Kings Mountain Canning Co's property will be sold on the premises to-day by Commissioner R. C. Warren.

PICTURES.—Photos and tin types made in the latest and best style during the holidays. Frank Corlier, Rowland.

WE have heard of no Christmas services here, except the early one at the Methodist church, and what is worse for the children no Christmas trees.

ALTHOUGH trains were delayed yesterday by an accident at the Cumberland River bridge at Washport, some freight cars jumped the track and tore out a support.

WE learn that there is an effort on foot to get the city council to reduce the license of saloons, but we hope this will not happen. If we are after revenue, let's get as much of it as possible.

"THERE is a great deal of talk about tearing toll gates down on my way," said Mr. Jim Carter yesterday "unless they are made free pretty soon." The roads are bad and Mr. Carter says there is a toll gate at the top of every hill and in every valley on the line. It is to be hoped, however, that no lawlessness will be attempted or permitted in this county.

THERE is every reason to believe that all of the 61 democrats in this county who voted for Palmer and Buckner will affiliate as heretofore with the democratic party and aid in the restoration of democracy and good government to Lincoln county, but many of those who voted for McKinley were glad of some excuse to go over to the republicans, where they naturally belong. It is to be hoped, however, that most of them will soon see the error of their way and return to the fold from which they have strayed.

ON TRIAL FOR HIS LIFE.—The case of Frank Brooks for the murder of Nevada was called again yesterday and the defendant's counsel wanted another continuance, but Judge Sautley read the riot act and the case proceeded. The following jurors were then selected:

J. B. Triver, J. W. Bailey, J. H. Raines, Val Easley, Alex. Holtzclaw, G. B. Barnett, C. T. Epperson, B. H. Dalton, J. J. Speare, G. A. Payton, C. K. McClure and M. F. Herron.

The trial will require several days as there are 30 or more witnesses and a dozen or so lawyers. It is possible that the court will not be in session to-day as some of the lawyers are compelled to be absent.

FARM AND TRADE ITEMS.

—Robert McGregor is hale and hearty at 26.

—Robert J. has paced 148 beats in 2:06 or better.

—W. H. Traylor bought a lot of big hogs at 3c.

—Lonia Waiz bought of Wm. Daugherty a fat cow at 2c.

—The corn crop this year amounts to 2,260,000,000 bushels.

—There have been 2,089 additions to the 230 list this season.

—William Burton sold to Mark Hardin six 150 pound pigs at 3c.

—S. J. Embury bought of Jas. T. Hackley five suckling mules for \$80.

—Wm. Beck sold to Simon Weint 18 export cattle weighing 1,400, at 4c.

—T. T. Pence weighed to Montie Fox Saturday 17 cattle, 1,350 pounds, at 4c.

—Samuel Daddler sold to Hon. John S. Owensley, Sr., five nice mules for \$250.

—J. H. Boone sold in Cincinnati Friday a car load of butcher stuff at 1 1/2 to 3c.

—J. M. McRoberts sold to W. B. Moore, of Danville, a fine Duroc boar for \$15.

—R. L. Hubble got \$75 for his car load of cotton mules he took to Atlanta last week.

—The Village Farm at Buffalo, N. Y. has won \$200,000 in stakes and purses during the past five years.

—Angero Devary, of White's Station, sold 350 barrels of corn to John Parrish at \$1.10 delivered.—Richmond Pantagraph.

—Farris & Whitley sold to B. G. Fox 14 head of extra cotton mules at \$77.50 Mr. Fox shipped them South. Farris & Whitley's agent, W. E. Wood, sold for them at Uniontown, Ala., a car load of cotton mules, average 11 1/2 hands, at \$60.—Advocate.

—Ole Coleman has returned from Macon, Ga., where he took a car load of mules and disposed of them at from \$50 to \$75 per head. He says that the poor cotton prospect is depressing all kinds of business in the Southern country.—Harrodsburg Democrat.

—Mr. J. H. Bright sold the J. Logan Dawson farm of 200 acres lying on the Hanging Fork and the Danville pike to J. H. Swope at \$36.25. There was a good crowd at sales Saturday. Cows brought \$19.50, mules \$52.50 and the other things fair prices. He didn't sell the mule, but had several offers for it.

—DANVILLE COURT.—A fairly good crowd attended court yesterday, but not much business was done. Of the 100 cattle on the market about half were sold. A bunch of plain yearlings brought \$17.50 and a lot of calves \$11.25. The mule market was dull, only a few changing hands at \$50 to \$75. No horses were offered.

DOLL GIVEN AWAY.

A Handsomely Dressed, Bisque Head Kid Doll To the Best Guesser.

We will make this present to the one who guesses nearest to the number of Dolls we sell this Christmas. Each purchaser of a doll entitled to a Guess. See our

Line of Christmas Tricks.

Biggest and Best Assortment in town.

CRAIG & HOCKER.

NEW GOODS.

We are receiving our Holiday Goods. Don't forget to come here for

BARGAINS!

Prescriptions filled from the very best Drugs and Chemicals and Experienced Pharmacist.

W. B. McROBERTS.

HANDKERCHIEFS.

Special Sale Handkerchiefs, Tuesday, 22, Wednesday, 23.

We are on the lookout for Christmas bargains and did not fail this time. We bought a sample line of fine handkerchiefs and ties and are offering them at less than wholesale prices. Nothing nicer for a present than a half dozen fine handkerchiefs. Plain, white and black bordered, hemstitched handkerchiefs at only 5c, usually sold at 10c. White embroidered handkerchiefs 10c.

35 cent Handkerchief at only 25 cents.

50 " " " 35 "

75 " " " 50 "

\$1.00 " " " 75 "

1.50 " " " \$1

Plain white silk Handkerchiefs at 25c, 35c and 50c. Gents' handkerchiefs 5c, 10c, 15c to 50c.

100—25c and 35c Windsor Ties at only 19c.

HANDKERCHIEFS.

—SEVERANCE & SON.

B. K. WEAREN.

—DEALER IN—

Farming Implements of all Kinds, Wagons, Buggies, Carriages, Carts, Buckboards, &c.

SEE MY CORN CRUSHERS!

The Greatest Convenience a Farmer ever had. They pay for themselves the first month.

WE DISCOUNT

Every Purchase

25 PER CENT

From First Cost.

W. P. TATE.

H. C. RUPLEY,

THE MERCHANT TAILOR

Is Receiving his

FALL & WINTER GOODS

All Goods Warranted and a Perfect Fit Guaranteed. Give him a Call.

Pay your Account at this Office if

you want to Enjoy Xmas.



ANGORA GOATS.

Profit In Them Where Climate and Conditions Are Suitable.

The source of the mohair now so in demand for a textile fabric has hitherto been Asia Minor or South Africa.

Recent experiments, however, have conclusively shown that this goat will thrive on our own Pacific coast, perhaps also throughout the south. It has done well in Texas. We wish our experiment stations would try for a few years the rearing of this animal, so as to ascertain where it will or will not thrive. In the colder northern states, of course, it would not be a success.

A full grown buck will shear from 12 to 16 pounds of mohair. In South Africa it is the custom to clip the goats twice a year, the first time in April, when the



ANGORA BUCK.

hair is five to six inches long. The second clip is at the end of August, and this time the hair is only two to three inches long.

Goats are more easily kept than sheep. They longer and on poorer feed, and are not so liable to disease as sheep. Their flesh is also desirable for food.

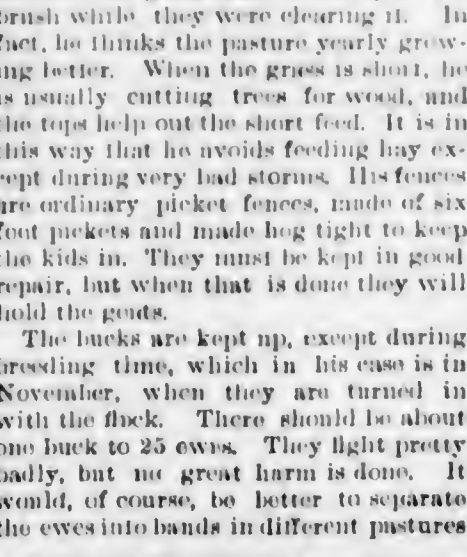
The San Francisco Chronicle gives some of the experiences in Angora goat breeding of Mr. C. C. Martin, whose home is in the Santa Cruz mountains.

The Chronicle says: Mr. Martin began his present flock about ten years since with 75 common Spanish ewes and wethers, worth usually about \$2.50 each. The common wethers, of course, have long since disappeared. He has used good Angora bucks, worth from \$25 to \$50 each, and changed each year. He now has about 400 grade Angoras. He intends to keep about one goat for each acre of average mountain land devoted to that use. He has pens and open sheds for their use in bad weather, but very seldom feeds them anything more than they get from the pasture. He thinks he would make more money by feeding more hay or grain.

The common goat is very prolific, and the first cross with the Angora buck results in many twins and some triplets. After the first cross, however, this pretty much stops, the rule being one ewe one kid each year. From the common stock with which Mr. Martin began, his usual clip was from 1 to 1 1/2 pounds of wool once a year, worth in present prices about 24 cents per pound. His flock as it stood stands clips from 2 1/2 to 7 pounds once a year, worth now about 35 cents per pound. The best wool is worth 42 cents.

The greater part of the land which Mr. Martin's goats run over is too steep for any other use and could not be made to yield revenue in any other way. At the beginning it was covered with dense brush, which the goats have now entirely cleared off, leaving the ground open under the large trees. The grass which has come in will support about the same number of goats that lived upon the brush while they were clearing it. In fact, he thinks the pasture yearly growing better. When the grass is short, he usually cutting trees for wood, and the tops help out the short feed. It is in this way that he avoids feeding hay except during very bad storms. His fences are ordinary picket fences, made of six foot pickets and made high tight to keep the kids in. They must be kept in good repair, but when that is done they will hold the goats.

The bucks are kept up, except during breeding time, which in his case is in November, when they are turned in with the flock. There should be about one buck to 25 ewes. They fight pretty badly, but no great harm is done. It would, of course, be better to separate the ewes into bands in different pastures



FEMALE ANGORA GOAT.

at that time. When the ewes are about to drop their kids, they are taken into corrals, or small pastures, and fed, if necessary. The young kids are rather tender and are placed in corrals by themselves, with fences about 18 inches high. The ewes will jump over to the kids to allow them to suck. When the kids are strong enough to jump over this fence, they are allowed to follow their dams. In handling the young kids great care must be taken not to let them touch the person, as the dams will at once disown them and allow them to die if the least scent of mankind is upon them. When necessary to handle them, they are taken up with sacks.

SHORT NEWS STORIES.

A Grateful Canine Thief—A "Scotch Terrier" Was Different—How He Wrote to His Best Girl.

"There are as many phases of disposition and character in a dog as in a human being," remarked a veterinary surgeon to a group of friends.

"About a block from my office a man lives who owns a fine St. Bernard dog. A few months ago he reported a series of robberies. First, a watch was stolen from his room, then a lot of silverware disappeared, then some jewelry belonging to his wife.

"The robberies were reported to the police, who became convinced that some one of the servants was the culprit, but they could secure no evidence, and no trace of the missing articles could be found. All of the servants were discharged and others employed, but the thefts continued.

"One day the St. Bernard dog had a leg broken by a street car, and his owner brought him to me. I dressed the limb, and each day the dog was brought to the office for treatment. He was soon well, and one morning he brought in a gold watch, in a few moments returning with a silver cake stand and then a gold thimble, and I followed him. He went to a corner of his master's yard, and scratching the loose dirt aside, selected a spoon, with which he started for the office. The dog was the thief, and he was paying me everything he had stolen for relieving his pain."—New York Journal.

"A Scotch Terrier."

In Windsor, Canada, across the river from Detroit, the principal magistrate of the little town is an old Scotsman whose brogue is as thick as oatmeal porridge.

The other day a dog case was tried before him. The plaintiff's dog had run out and bitten the defendant, who was passing along the road, whereupon the latter had procured a gun and shot the dog to death. The plaintiff wanted damages for the killing of his pet. Each side was represented by counsel, and every inch of the case was contested.

From the evidence it was clear that the dog had invited and deserved his own execution. The old magistrate himself said so and added that he would have to dismiss the case.

"But, your honor," persisted the plaintiff's attorney, "you lose sight of the fact that my client has sustained an unusual loss. It was no ordinary dog, but a fine Scotch terrier."

The old man's face grew stern as he slowly repeated to himself: "A Scotch terrier, eh? A Scotch terrier!"

Then he added: "There he not too many good dogs anywhere. Twenty-five dollars is cheap enough for a Scotch terrier." And he fined the defendant that amount.—Chicago Times-Herald.

They Saw an Angel.

The people of three villages in central Wayne county, N. Y., are much stirred over an apparition for which there appears to be no possible hypothesis except a spiritual one. The visitor is nothing less than an angel, or at least it bears every appearance of one, and is seen in broad daylight. Its first appearance was on Nov. 2, when it was seen by at least a score of people. R. D. Mack says:

"I was returning from Wolcott, when I noticed an object floating in the air about 100 yards away. Its appearance was that of a girl clad in a long white robe, with the arms bare. On its shoulders were a pair of long white wings, which were nearly the full length of the body. The day was clear. I saw it for fully 20 minutes. I said nothing about it for several days, till I heard others speaking of similar occurrences."

The story told by others named is the same in all essential details, and it has created great wonder and some alarm.

The Universal "Shop."

It is written that one may occasionally hear witty things even at a dinner party. At one such the conversation turned on the habit of "talking shop." Some one declared that an actor or musician was never happy unless allowed to talk by the hour about his profession. "Oh," added another speaker, "doctors are just as bad. They always want to entertain you with recitals of their 'cases.'"

"Lawyers too."

"Men of science also!"

"And litterateurs always!"

"Well, well," said the wittiest woman of them all, "you are right! Philosophers talk Schopenhauer; ladies, shopping; tipplers, 'schoppen'; musicians, Chopin, and actors and writers just plain 'shop.'"

How He Wrote to His Best Girl.

Uncle Sam's mail clerks run across many queer things in the many thousands of missives that pass under their notice. Postal superintendents upon letters, for instance, turn up occasionally. At the postoffice at Bridgeton, N. J., a few days ago a letter arrived, evidently from some lovelorn swain, which was addressed in this fashion:

Hello, Uncle Sam! May I go to your mail? I've taken a notion to ride out the rail. In the state of New Jersey there let me drop in the county of Cumberland there let me stop in the Bridgeton postoffice there let me lay until the good letter carrier takes me away. At 55 Oak street there let me meet Miss Millie Delaney, looking so sweet.

—Philadelphia Record.

Why Mr. Carlisle Did It.

Secretary Carlisle has been severely pounded in certain quarters for discharging seven treasury clerks who took a too active part in the late campaign. Marshall Cushing says that three of these were near relations by blood or marriage of Senator Joe Blackburn.

"Why was he fired?" asked a friend of one of these unfortunates in Mr. Carlisle's room the other day. "Simply because he went on the stump against you?"

"No," said the secretary of the treasury, "but because he made such a poor speech."

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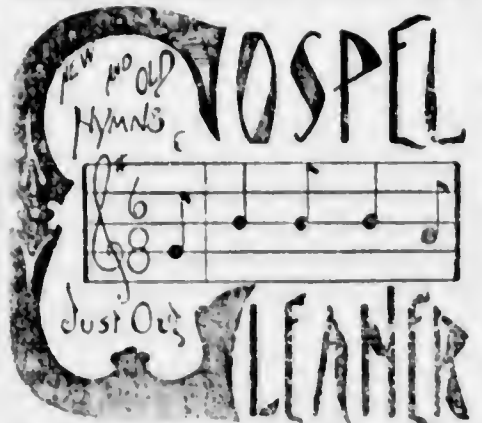
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